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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR
LEGAL ASPECTS OF COMBATING TERRORISM COURSE

REF: FISCHER-CRETAROLO EMAIL 6/12/2007

¶1. This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.

¶2. Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean candidate who has been nominated for training in the U.S., pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy.

¶3. The proposed training is the Legal Aspects of Combating Terrorism Course, which will take place at the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies, Newport, Rhode Island, from December 2 - December 14, 2007. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidate appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.

a. Cristian PFEIFER Rojas, Commander (Navy), Naval Judge, First Naval Zone, 30 March 1964, Vina del Mar, 8.854.625-3.

¶4. Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that the candidate has been involved in gross human rights violations.

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